



## DSA BULLETIN 08-08

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**To: Architects, Engineers, Testing Laboratories,  
School Districts, Inspectors, Interested Parties**

**From: Division of the State Architect  
Department of General Services  
State of California**

**SUBJECT: New Testing and Special Inspection Requirements**

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**Purpose:** To announce to stakeholders that, as a result of the changes in the new 2007 California Building Code (CBC), a new Statement of Structural Tests and Special Inspections (the T&I List; Form DSA-103) has been developed and posted on the DSA website. Also, significant changes to the requirements for tests and special inspections have taken place. These changes will be clarified in IRs 17-4 through 17-7 to be published next week.

**Policy:** The new T&I List ([Form DSA-103](#)) should be used for all projects. It should be submitted at the time the project is submitted to DSA.

Effective January 1, 2009 projects submitted to DSA must be accompanied by the new T&I List. It is recommended that the T&I List be included in the specifications or on the drawings for the project.

The T&I List is summary of tests and inspections required for a project (in accordance with 2007 CBC Section 1705A) however, the detailed requirements for testing and special inspection must still be clearly described in the DSA approved documents.

Several requirements of the new 2007 CBC are clarified by the publication of the new T&I List and will be further clarified by the following IRs:

- General test and special inspection requirements as well as the differences between a "test" and a "special inspection" will be described in IR 17-4,
- testing requirements will be clarified in IR 17-5,
- special inspection requirements will be clarified in IR 17-6 including:
  - o the difference between "periodic" and "continuous" special inspection,
  - o special inspections that will be performed by the project inspector,
  - o reporting requirements.
- Soils related testing and special inspection requirements will be clarified in IR 17-7.

**Links for more information:** [Form DSA-103.INSTR](#) provides instruction for using the new form. Information on opening the new form, which is an Excel spreadsheet with macros, is provided in [Opening the New T&I Form](#).